

To Whom It May Concern:

Please act quickly and efficiently to remove the Morse testing requirements for Amateur Radio services in the United States. Three years ago you kept a 5wpm test due to ITU regulations. Those regulations no longer exist, and now many other nations are relaxing and eliminating their Morse requirements.

Because there seems to be no correlation between the quality of the operator and his or her knowledge of the CW mode, maintaining the Morse requirement seems outdated and somewhat anachronistic. The code/no code debate and issues have been rehashed for many years now, and in the face of relaxing international regulations, domestic relaxation of the Morse requirement seems only natural. It would be unfortunate if American amateurs are unable to participate in global and transcontinental communications, while their foreign counterparts do so.

Thank you for your consideration.

Edward Mitchell
KG6DKQ